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A NOTE:

SINCE PLUMJUICE STEPPED UP TO TRANSLATE (THANKS!), I GUESS LITTLE O IS AN OFFICIAL GROUP NOW. THAT'S KIND OF SCARY. IT MEANS THAT RELEASES WILL BE SOMEWHAT FASTER AND MORE REGULAR--HOPEFULLY--BUT I'M STILL NOT GOING TO SET ANY KIND OF RELEASE SCHEDULE, SORRY. I WILL SAY THERE'S A VERY GOOD CHANCE THE NEXT CHAPTER WILL BE OUT SOON.

AT SOME POINT WE'LL ALSO GO BACK AND FIX ALL OF MY MISTAKES ON THE FIRST COUPLE CHAPTERS. THAT SAID, AS EDITOR, I TAKE FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY MISTAKES IN THIS CHAPTER AS WELL. ENJOY!

REHOSTING POLICY: I DON'T CARE ABOUT STUFF LIKE THAT SO FEEL FREE TO RESIZE THIS OR PUT IT ANYWHERE. THE ORIGINAL IS ON BATOTO. JUST DON'T REMOVE THIS PAGE OR CLAIM IT AS YOUR OWN WORK. THANKS!

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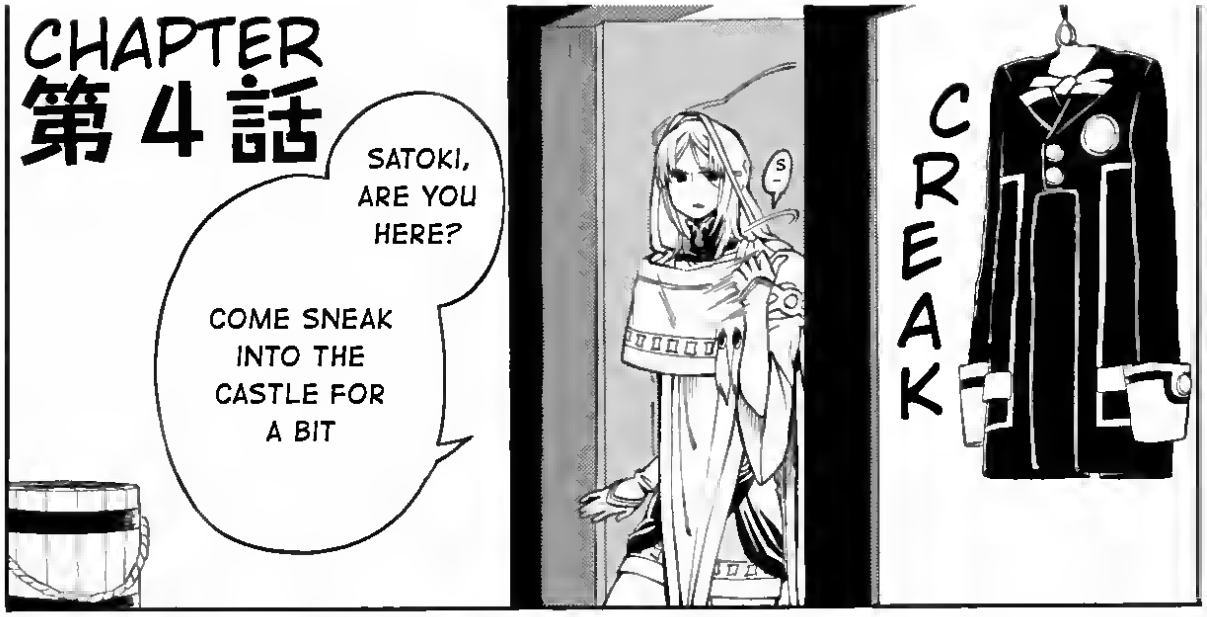
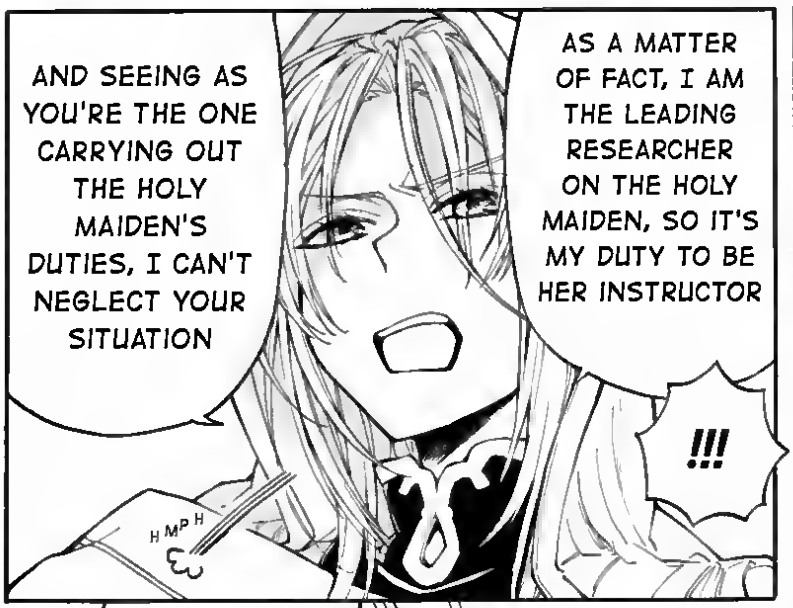

SATOKI, ARE YOU HERE?
COME SNEAK INTO THE CASTLE FOR A BIT
S-
CREAK


AND SEEING AS YOU'RE THE ONE CARRYING OUT THE HOLY MAIDEN'S DUTIES, I CAN'T NEGLECT YOUR SITUATION
AS A MATTER OF FACT, I AM THE LEADING RESEARCHER ON THE HOLY MAIDEN, SO IT'S MY DUTY TO BE HER INSTRUCTOR
!!!
HMPH

EATING
HELLO, MIVA-SAN, IT'S BEEN TWO DAYS
I'M NOT SURE WHAT YOU MEAN
OF COURSE NOT

SO,
I CAN AT LEAST GIVE YOU SOME ADVICE
WOOHOO!!!
SO THEN, YOU'RE MY INSTRUCTOR... IN OTHER WORDS, YOU'RE LIKE, MY MASTER!!! RIGHT?!
YES, MASTER !!!
STOP CALLING ME THAT!!!
I DON'T NEED A DISCIPLE LIKE YOU!!!

BEING SERIOUS
MY APOLOGIES, BUT I'M ACTUALLY VERY SERIOUS ABOUT THIS
RIGHT NOW, I NEED AN ALLY SO BAD I CAN TASTE IT
ALSO I DON'T THINK I CAN STOP CALLING YOU MASTER NOW
YOU'RE GOING TO CLING TO THIS IDEA WITH YOUR WHOLE BODY AND SOUL, AREN'T YOU?
WHY CAN'T I CALL YOU MASTER? IT'S A RESPECTABLE TITLE, YOU KNOW!
EH HEH HEH
HEY, ARE YOU BEING SERIOUS OR ARE YOU MAKING FUN OF ME?
A MATTER OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE!
SEC RET
IT SEEMS THAT KUSHA-DONO SENT A LETTER TO THE HOLY MAIDEN
KUSHA-DONO, THAT SCARY LADY?
EVEN I, THE HOLY MAIDEN'S INSTRUCTOR, CANNOT VIEW THAT HIGHLY CLASSIFIED DOCUMENT... IT MIGHT CONTAIN DETAILS ON THE HOLY MAIDEN'S FUTURE PLANS
THOUGH THE WAR IS STILL ON, SHE'S GOING TO MAKE A PILGRIMAGE TO SOME RUINS
LET'S GET BACK ON TOPIC! ABOUT THE HOLY MAIDEN'S PLANS...
I'LL EXPLAIN WHY LATER ON, BUT WE'VE ACTUALLY GOT A PROBLEM
I SEE, I SEE
BAM

THAT'S WHERE YOU COME IN
BUT I'VE BEEN BLACKLISTED AND CAN'T GET INSIDE TO STEAL IT
THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN CONFIRMED TO BE INSIDE HARUKA'S ROOM
EH?
THAT NIGHT: THE ROYAL CASTLE
...I SEE, THAT'S WHY
THAT'S WHY HE SAID, "SATOKI, COME SNEAK INTO THE CASTLE"
WELCOME TO THE CASTLE!
THAT'S RIGHT! THERE'S A PARTY TONIGHT, SO TONS OF PEOPLE WILL BE COMING AND GOING
THIS WAY YOU CAN GET INTO THE SERVANTS' ROOM EASILY

IT'S FINE, IT... SORT OF FITS
AND IF YOU DON'T DISGUISE YOURSELF, YOU'LL BE FOUND OUT
WAHH, IT DOES-N'T SUIT ME AT ALL!!!
SHIVER
This will never work ...
I SEE! BUT STILL...
PLAIN MAID
SELECTED BY KUSHA-SAMA
I'LL BE FOUND OUT ANYWAY!!!
IMPOSSIBLE! I CAN'T BLEND IN AT ALL!!!
THE OTHER SERVANTS ARE ALL ABOMINABLY BEAUTIFUL!
BUT MY FIGURE ...
OUCH
UM... BY THE WAY
A MASQUE-RADE?
WHACK!
THIS WAY YOU WON'T BE FOUND OUT!
TRUE!
FOR THE SAKE OF THE LESS-BEAUTIFUL GUESTS, ALL THE SERVANTS ARE WEARING MASKS TONIGHT!
OH, SHUT UP! I TOLD YOU IT WAS A PARTY, RIGHT?

I AM ALSO MIVA-SAMA'S LOYAL SERVANT!
I... SEE
RARE ITEM FAN'S CLUB MEDAL NO. 000000001
I'LL HELP YOU BECAUSE MIVA-SAMA ASKED, BUT IN LIGHT OF MY FOND FEELINGS FOR HIM
DON'T YOU DARE MAKE ANY MIS-TAKES!!!
MISS, WHO ARE YOU?
SMILE
ME? I'M LEARY
I'M THE HEAD MAID AND...
THUMP
THUMP
THAT'S TOO SIMPLE!!!
YOUR DESTINATION IS THE HOLY MAIDEN'S ROOM, AND YOUR ROUTE IS DRAWN ON THE MAP!
THAT'S ALL!
YOU'LL PRETEND TO DELIVER SOME ALCOHOL TO SOME ROOM OR SOMETHING
PEOPLE OFTEN SKIP THE PARTY
CLICK
SO SHE'S THE SUPPORTING CHARACTER WHO DOES THE MASTER'S PREP WORK
NOW THEN, AS FOR THE PLAN...
WELL, ALTHOUGH HE ASKED FOR MY HELP, I DIDN'T GET ANY OF THE DETAILS, SO DON'T WORRY
KA-THUMP!
DO YOUR BEST!
WELL THEN!
IT'S FINE, JUST ACT CONFIDENT! IT'S EASIER THAN YOU THINK!

I HAVEN'T EVEN LOOKED AT THE MAP AND SHE'S SUDDENLY MAKING ME CARRY OUT AN INFILTRATION PLAN
AT LEAST GIVE ME A TUTOR-IAL
↑GAMER
COME ON, AREN'T THEY COUNTING ON ME TOO MUCH?
SO...
HMM ...
WHAT IS IT?
.....
WAIT
!!!
EH? MAYBE THEY WERE JUST SWOLLEN?
MUST BE A HARD WORKER
THAT MAID JUST NOW, WEREN'T HER LEGS KINDA THICK?
YOU THINK SO?
...THAT HURT A LITTLE
CHAT
CHAT
SOLDIERS!
AND WILL THIS DISGUISE REALLY WORK?
UH-
Ba-dum
Ba-dum
Ba-dum
CHAT
CHAT
CHAT

CRY-
ING
AS I THOUGHT, IT'S IMPOSS... NO, WAIT! IT'LL BE OKAY
REMEMBER THE WORDS OF YOUR MASTER
IF YOU'RE FOUND BY A TEMPLE SOLDIER OR A GUARD, YOU'RE DONE FOR
ESPECI-ALLY SINCE KUSHA-DONO HAS ALREADY WARNED EVERYONE... BUT!
THERE'S NO POSSIBLE WAY THAT THE OTHER SOLDIERS WOULD REMEMBER A PLAIN FACE LIKE YOURS!!!
BLUNT!!!
THAT'S MEAN!!!
BUT YOU'RE RIGHT!!!
YOU SEE!!
BLEND IN!!
BECOME ONE WITH THE AIR!!!
A Positi ooo ve !!!
YES, MASTER!
THIS IS MY FORTE!!!
MARCH MARCH
USUALLY IT'S A NEGATIVE

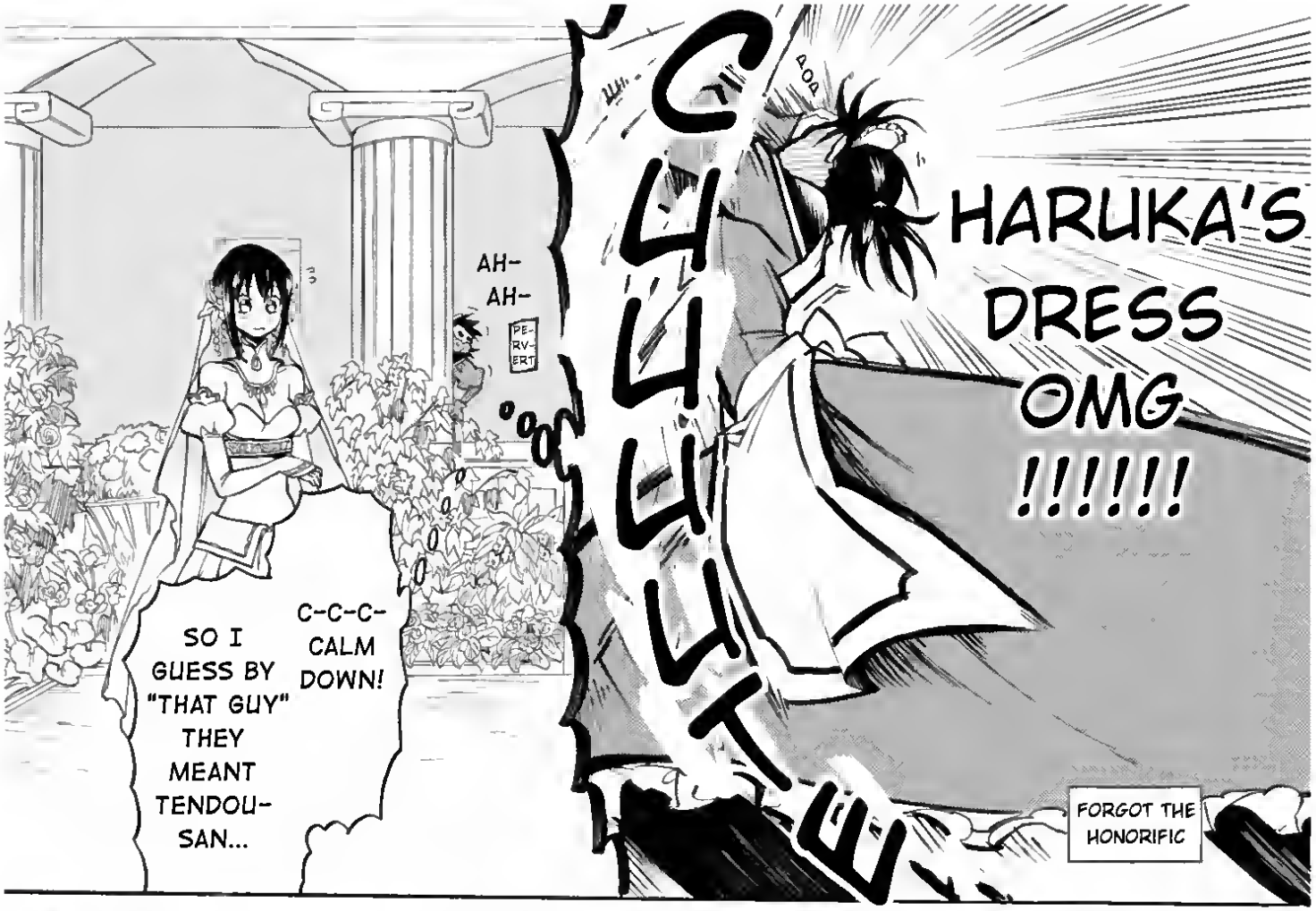
MAIRA, MAIRA! YOU'RE BEING TOO LOUD!
WHERE HAS HIS MAJESTY GONE?!!
CLOSE
UP
I'LL SHOW YOU ALL!!! MY...
INCREASE THE SECURITY!
GATHER THE SOLDIERS! WE'RE FORMING A SEARCH PARTY!
*KING'S YOUNGER BROTHER
PIT-TER
PAT-TER
SINCE I'M FOLLOW-ING
CAPTAIN! ROYAL ADVISOR!
MY APOLOGIES, SECOND* PRINCE! BUT WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME...
MINOR CHARACTER SPIRIT...
I WAS IN EVERY PANEL ON THIS PAGE!
WHISPER WHISPER
!?
WH-WHAT?!
WHAT ARE THE GUARDS DOING... AND YOU SAY THE BORDER HAS BEEN CROSSED?!

!!!
ALL THAT'S LEFT IS TO SNEAK THROUGH THIS COURTYARD.
I WAS TOO FORCEFUL WITH MY FEELINGS THE OTHER DAY
THE KING! AND I THINK THAT'S THE CAPTAIN OF THE KNIGHTS!
SHE'S SO KIND-HEARTED, I FEARED IT MIGHT HAVE TROUBLED HER
SWISH
WHY ARE THEY HERE?!
AND?
SCRATCH
WERE YOU SATIS-FIED?
YEAH. BEFORE I DANCE WITH HER AS "KING" AND "HOLY MAIDEN", I WANTED TO TALK WITH HER AS JUST HARUKA AND I
!!?
SO THAT'S WHY YOU WORE A MASK AND DANCED WITH HER IN THE COURTYARD?
THAT CORNY SIDE OF YOU HASN'T CHANGED AT ALL SINCE BACK THEN
HE HE

AN EVENT AFTERMATH !!!
SEEMS LIKE A MAJOR ONE, TOO!!!
GEEZ, SO ROMANTIC! BWAHA!
PUNCH
SLUMP
DON'T MAKE FUN OF ME! I COULDN'T THINK OF ANYTHING ELSE!
I JUST WANTED TO HEAR HER TRUE FEELINGS, WITHOUT MY CROWN IN THE WAY
HOWEVER... WHETHER I DID IT AS "THE KING"
OR AS THE MAN NAMED "SAPPHIC"
I HONESTLY DON'T KNOW...
AND THE REASON YOU CALLED *THAT GUY* OUT
WAS TO GIVE HER THE CHANCE TO MAKE A CHOICE?
WELL,
PER-HAPS

PAT PAT
AND RETURN TO YOUR ROYAL PERSONA
NOW, TIME TO STOP BEING "SAPPHIC"
CUTE OLDER MEN...
HRNG...
MY HAIR'S MESSED UP
SORRY ABOUT THAT
IS THE KING ...?
IS HE IN LOVE?
WHO IS "THAT GUY"?
STEP
!
NOW THEN, LET'S KEEP MOVING
BY THE WAY, THEY ALSO SAID, "YOU CALLED THAT GUY OUT..."

...HA-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DOWN!
SO I
GUESS BY
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THEY
MEANT
TENDOU-
SAN...
GUHUHUT
HARUKA'S
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OMG
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WHO?
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GUY...

...NO WAIT. THE
CONVERSATION
SOUNDED LIKE
THEY MEANT
SOMEONE
OTHER THAN
HER
SO,
THEN...

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
SOMEHOW HE SEEMS DIFFERENT THAN USUAL...
I WAS GIVEN PERMISSION TO COME HERE...
ROSWALD-SAN...
SINCE I CAN'T GO IN *THERE?*
WOULD YOU DO ME THE HONOR OF DANCING WITH ME OUT HERE?

WHY CAN'T YOU COME INSIDE?
...OF COURSE
HE SAYS THE KING'S NAME WITHOUT HONOR-IFICS
HEY,
WHY ARE YOU WORKING AS A KNIGHT?
IF THAT STORY YOU TOLD ME IS TRUE...
YOU BELIEVE ME?!
I'VE BEEN PUT IN CHARGE OF THE SECURITY OUTSIDE THE HALL...
BESIDES...
I'D RATHER NOT WATCH YOU DANCING WITH SAPPHIC

HARUKA...
I JUST CAN'T BELIEVE THAT!
KUSHA-SAN SAID IT WAS ALL A LIE...
BUT FOR ME, THINKING OF YOU AS A LIAR..
EH?
AT FIRST, THAT WAS MY PURPOSE AND GOAL
I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO CORRECT THINGS
BUT AFTER I MET YOU...
GRIP
IT'S FINE ALREADY
SUCH A THING IS...

AND YOUR STATUS AS THE HOLY MAIDEN
REGARDLESS OF WHO I AM
IT'S DIFFERENT NOW
RO-
ROSWALD-SAN...
HAS BECOME THE MOST IMPORTANT THING TO ME
WHO YOU CHOOSE TO STAY BY YOUR SIDE
WHOEVER YOU CHOOSE, I WILL RESPECT YOUR DECISION
BUT I WON'T FORCE YOU TO DO ANYTHING
YOU CAN CALL ME "ROS", HARUKA

SO, PLEASE, LET'S MEET AGAIN
BUT I WILL ALWAYS BE THINKING OF YOU
I WILL COME SEE YOU
IIIIT'S SOOOOOOOOO SAAAP-PYYYYYYYYY!!!

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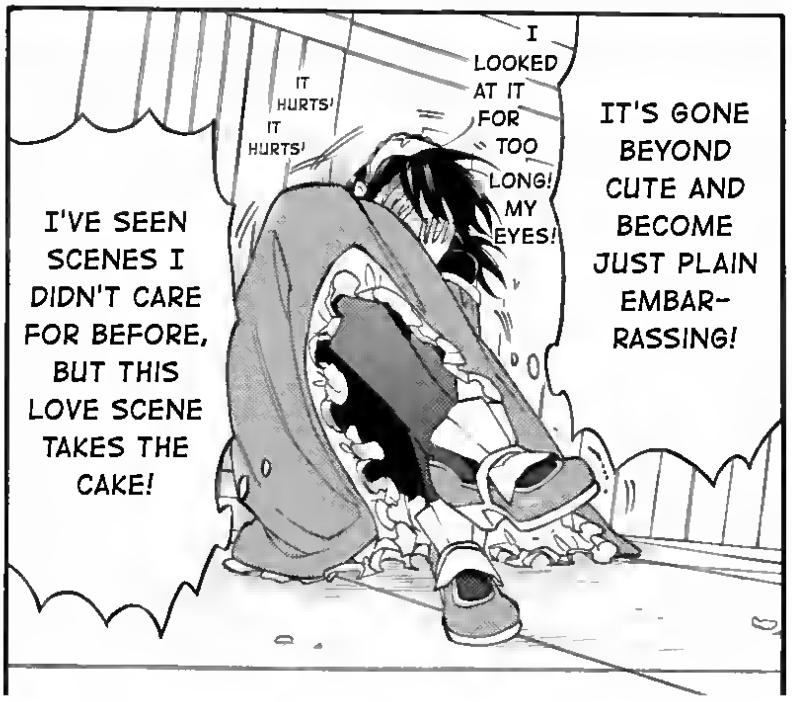
YES
I UNDERSTAND
SO, SHE DANCED WITH THE KING, AND THEN IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARD DID THIS?
WHAT A SCARY HEROINE!


I'VE SEEN SCENES I DIDN'T CARE FOR BEFORE, BUT THIS LOVE SCENE TAKES THE CAKE!
IT HURTS! IT HURTS!
I LOOKED AT IT FOR TOO LONG! MY EYES!
IT'S GONE BEYOND CUTE AND BECOME JUST PLAIN EMBARRASSING!

THE PEB-BLES
AND SO...
OW!
CUT
I'M EVEN RISKING MY LIFE TO COME HERE
ON THE OTHER HAND, I'M DOING SILLY STUFF LIKE WEARING A MAID OUTFIT THAT DOESN'T SUIT ME
WHAT A JOKE...
ALL I'VE DONE SO FAR IS EAVES-DROP AND SPY ON PEOPLE...
AS EXPECTED, I'VE REALLY...
WAS-TED MY TIME
.....
NOW THEN, LET'S GET BACK TO WHAT I CAME FOR: TENDOU-SAN'S ROOM
WELL, IT CAN'T BE HELPED NOW
SIGH
SINCE SHE'S RIGHT HERE, MAYBE I SHOULD JUST ASK HER
GLANCE
LOOKS LIKE NEITHER KUSHA-DONO NOR THE TEMPLE GUARD ARE AROUND

WHOOOSH
GRAB
ACTUALLY THERE'S NOBODY AROUND IN GENERAL!
HUH?
WHAT?!